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VA to Host Grand Opening of Downtown Resource, Referral Center Omaha Real Estate Group Opens Victory Apartments for Veterans

OMAHA, **Neb.**, **Aug. 28**, **2013** — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and America First Real Estate Group celebrate the grand opening of services and affordable housing for Veterans with a dedication and ribbon-cutting event at 1:30 p.m., Sept. 5 at 825 Dorcas Street, Omaha, Neb.

The VA's Community Resource and Referral Center and Mental Health Specialty Services Program open Tuesday in its new location. The center is for Veterans who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

Staff at the CRRC provides an array of services for these Veterans that include job skills assistance and case-management services through the VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System. Veterans must be eligible for VA health care benefits.

The new CRRC is co-located adjacent to the new Victory Apartments. The 90 units were developed by America First Real Estate Group of Omaha to provide Veterans eligible for VA health care benefits affordable, quality housing.

The community is invited to join in this celebration of Omaha-area Veterans.

For more information about the event, contact Will Ackerman, VA NWIHCS Public Affairs Officer, at 402-995-4719 or email william.ackerman@va.gov.

About VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System

The VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System's mission is to honor America's Veterans by providing exceptional health care that improves their health and well-being. VA NWIHCS employees serve more than 161,000 Veterans in Nebraska, western Iowa and portions of Kansas and Missouri. The system includes a tertiary medical center in Omaha and a Community Living Center in Grand Island, Neb. Community-based outpatient clinics are located in Lincoln, Grand Island, North Platte, Norfolk, and Bellevue, Neb., and Shenandoah, Iowa; and a contract outreach clinic in O'Neill, Neb. For more information, visit http://www.nebraska.va.gov

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